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SUBJECT: 31ST UNGA ITEM 25: GUAM

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1. EMBASSY'S POLITICAL OFFICER MET NOVEMBER 30 WITH MAKAN DEMBELE, ACTING DIRECTOR OF THE POLITICAL DIVISION, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MADE POINTS CONTAINED REFTELS, AND LEFT AIDE-MEMOIRE.
2. DEMBELE PROMISED TO TRANSMIT OUR VIEWS AND AIDE-MEMOIRE TO HIS GOVERNMENT. HE CONCLUDED, HOWEVER, THAT IT WAS TOO LATE TO CHANGE THE MALIAN DELEGATION'S POSITION. FURTHERMORE, SINCE THE US ADMITTED THAT GUAM WAS NOT SELF-GOVERNING, UN COMMITTEES COULD QUITE PROPERLY REVIEW GUAM'S STATUS INCLUDING THE QUESTION OF MILITARY BASES.
3. POLOFF REITERATED THAT PEOPLE OF GUAM HAD OVERWHELMINGLY VOTED TO REMAIN PART OF THE US AND FAVORED RETENTION OF MILITARY BASES. BESIDES, THE UN CHARTER RECOGNIZED THE RIGHT OF SELF-DEFENSE AND DID NOT RESTRICT THE INSTALLATION OF MILITARY BASES IN NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES.

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4. DEMBELE HELD FIRMLY TO HIS VIEW. THERE IS NO

CHANCE THAT THE MALIAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
WILL INSTRUCT ITS UN DELEGATION TO CHANGE ITS POSITION.
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